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A FRIGHT OVER THE FRANCHISE

Home Rule Organ In Quite a Flurry.

COMMISSIONER TO WATCH CONGRESS

Two Petitions to Go Forward Urging No Abatement of Voting Power.

FRIGHTENED over the reports of an endeavor at Washington to amend the organic act so as to abridge the franchise of the Hawaiians, the Home Rulers are working themselves into a frenzy. It is understood that there is being prepared a monster petition which is to be sent on to Washington, and according to the "Kuokoa Home Rule," the plan of sending a commissioner to work against any such change is being considered seriously. Upon this phase of the subject the organ named says:

"It is necessary that a set of resolutions be immediately prepared, with a call for a large mass meeting, to take place in the city of Honolulu, for the purpose of considering the question of sending a Hawaiian commission with full powers at once to the field of duty at Washington; and also as bearers of the resolutions to be presented to President Roosevelt, the Senate and to the House of Representatives."

"If we send a Hawaiian Commissioner with full authority—a person of learning and of ability—and also an independent person in all manner and form, this will add weight to the resolution on presentation to the law making Houses of our Father Government, and of the American people. This is not all; but the Hawaiian people must be on the lookout and be fully prepared, when the petition is presented to them for their signatures, that all native Hawaiians who are qualified voters, residing in the Hawaiian Islands, shall sign them at once, so that the petition will be returned without delay. The nation must beware of fraudulent documents. None is genuine but those presented to them by the leaders of the National Party, known as the true Aloha Ahaas."

"The Commissioner will be sent on first bearing the resolutions, and the petitions will be sent on later. It will also be well for the Hawaiian people to sign a separate petition which will be prepared for them; all females from the age of fifteen years and over; and also young men not of the voting age, from the age of fifteen years and upwards, and those of the qualified voters should sign the petition."

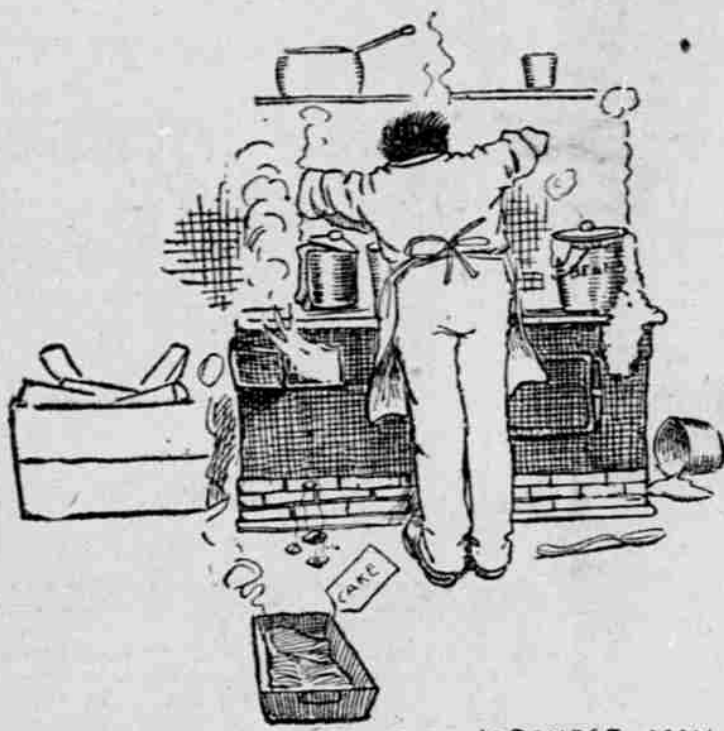
"These petitions will be dispatched to their destination like unto the rushing waters of a storm. As a rushing torrent, onward in its mad course, covering all the fields as a deluge."

"This will prove to the Congress that we are a people who can appreciate and do jealously guard those sacred rights which we have."

In another portion of the paper appears the following, which is printed under the heading: "Ingratitude to Hawaii."

"On the Tuesday just passed information was received by us which is important news for the Hawaiian people, and which may cause us all to weep. This will result if the task of strangling us, a la pig, is successfully accomplished by the mercenaries of our enemies, who are struggling in their efforts to influence the Congress of United States of America, Hartwell was sent by the nation-brained Governor Dole and the Missionary Protestant Republican party, to oppose us and deprive us of 'manhood suffrage,' the right which was given us by the United States of America, our Father Government—the right to vote. A bill has been prepared by these parties to be presented to Congress; to the Senate and the House of Representatives; limiting the qualifications of the native Hawaiians in the right of suffrage. The Nation should be ever watchful in the future and should jealously guard and protect this precious right, for it means our existence or our destruction. These are the doing of the Protestant Missionary Republicans, who are so unreasonably embittered and so venomous that we may be poisoned by their touch—like unto the fangs of the death-dealing snake. This is really the work of a venomous snake, with jealousies and animosities, implanted within its breast, and which with malice seeks the destruction of us of the Hawaiian Race. Not satisfied with our being buried alive in Kalaupapa and Kalawao, they are now doing all in their power to deprive the Hawaiians, we of the brown skin, of all of our rights. 'Aue! Aue! Ka make o ka Lahui e. Here we are; whither are we floating? The graves for our burial are now being dug by the Republicans. 'These people are hunting us down to strangle us as pigs; they are all of the same flock. Therefore they must be re-

CHINESE NEW YEAR THOUGHTS.



HONOLULU INVESTORS

A California Company in Which Many Honoluluans Are Concerned.

There are so many local investors in the Realty Syndicate of Oakland, Cal., that this article from the Chronicle will be of interest in Honolulu:

OAKLAND, January 20.—Frank C. Havens, manager of the Realty Syndicate, the Oakland Transit Company and the new corporation which proposes to give Oakland and San Francisco a new ferry system, returned today from a hurried trip to Washington. He says that while he was in Washington he secured a permit from the War Department to construct the pier which his company proposes to use in connection with its new ferry system.

According to Mr. Havens, this step was not necessary, yet out of an abundance of caution it was decided to ask the permission of the War Department. The request, he says, was formally made on December 26th, and was granted as soon as it could make the necessary rounds of red tape demanded by the government. This pier is to be run out from Emeryville on the line of the old Smith wharf.

The bill, which was introduced, and which, if adopted, would allow the new company terminal privileges on Goat Island, has not as yet been acted upon, though in the opinion of Mr. Havens this will not meet with any serious opposition. The pier which it is proposed to build, and for which written permission was received by today's mail, will run out to the line established by the government for such piers. From that point it is proposed to reach Goat Island by means of a steel tube or sub-way.

For a week past a pile driver has been at work sinking piles along the line where the tube will run. These piles have been driven for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of the formation through which the tube will have to run. As soon as this work is completed plans for the tube will be put under way. In the meantime the pier is to be built, and in the event the terminal privilege on Goat Island is denied the ferry system will be operated from the Emeryville pier.

Rails have already been purchased for the cross-town road which is to run on Fortieth street, and act as a feeder for the new ferry system. This road is to run in such a way that it can take passengers from any of the Syndicate roads to the ferry. If the plan is carried out, as has been outlined by the projectors of the enterprise, it will work quite a change in the method of travel between this city and San Francisco.

membered at the next election. (Then follows a list of senators and representatives of the Republican party.) They must be remembered by the people. You supported them and carried them through at the last campaign, and as a result of your work they turned upon you and spat in your eyes.

"You should not be carried away again by the smoothness of their talk. They are now perpetrating one of the blackest of deeds, worse than the committing of murder, for this reason, that the only life taken is that of the person murdered, but in this case it will be the death of all the race."

"This political party is now making an effort to take away from us our right to the ballot, and now they have turned to smite those who voted for them at the last election."

OAHU INTER-ISLAND POLO TEAM FINALLY IS CHOSEN

Committee Rates and Places All the Players and Many Changes Are the Result.

After careful consideration of all the records the committee named by the directors of the Polo Club yesterday fixed upon the ratings of the men and chose finally the team which is to represent the club in any inter-island games which may be played. This team is made up of the best individual players, and they will at once begin practice with the others so that team play may be perfected.

The committee, which was made up of W. F. Dillingham, captain, and C. S. Dole, had before it a hard task, for of the sixteen players who were to be placed, there had to be chosen four who were the very best in their positions. For each place there were four candidates and the selections were made upon the basis of the performance in the various positions in the games during the fall. This meant a following of the play and the methods of the various men who have been in the series of games. The result has been the selection of the first team, so that it contains the very best men for the positions to which they are assigned.

The new arrangements of players will show many changes. There will be seen several men who have played at No. 1 who are now in the ranks, while some of the most dashing players of the past have been completely altered in position. This is due to a judgment as to form and it is hoped by the changes to make a series of teams which will put up some fine polo as soon as there is developed close team play. The alterations will, it is expected, bring out some great changes in playing form, and it will be no surprise to the captain if very soon it is changes in top teams to provide for promotions from the others.

The team which is to be known as the No. 1, is not necessarily the one which is to play against Maui, for in the event of any member of it failing to show form or any man of another team developing higher qualities, the places will be changed. This will give to the subsequent play a matter of higher class play, for there will be a purpose in the games and a high order of play may be expected.

There were several hard tasks in the making of the selections for the several places on the first team. The men selected in some instances never had shown as great brilliancy of play as others, but there were other qualities which had to be taken into account. Some men there were who had been showing finely in the game, hitting hard and straight and riding fast, but when it came to making a careful estimate of the play of the various men, in their positions and in connection with the others playing with them, the task of making the selections was all the harder. Some of the most brilliant individual players of the entire club were found upon analysis to have been the least effective in team play and of the least value to the others. This meant that there was to be a selection on the basis of superiority in understanding position, and the No. 1 who in the future devotes himself to hitting instead of riding off, and the man whose efforts with the club seem to be devoted simply to showing how far he can drive and not how safely, or to what position, will find that he is not progressing toward the head team.

The selection of the inter-island team was approved yesterday by the directors of the club, who are S. E. Damon, President; J. P. Cooke, Vice-President; John Flemming, Secretary, and George C. Potter, Treasurer; W. F. Dillingham, Captain; G. Hancock and A. F. Judd. The report was submitted to them by the special committee, composed of the captain and C. S. Dole, and the ratings of all were then approved. The teams are given colors, the head team being given white, which, with the addition of blue, when an inter-island game is played, will give the colors of the club. The teams are as follows:

White—No. 1, George C. Potter; No. 2, George H. Angus; No. 3, W. F. Dillingham; No. 4, Charles S. Dole.

Red and White—No. 1, Atkinson, R. W.; No. 2, Hancock, G.; No. 3, Judd, A. F.; No. 4, Fleming, J.

Yellow—No. 1, Shingle; No. 2, Dick; No. 3, Carter, A. W.; No. 4, Perry, A. W.

Green—No. 1, Norton, C. H. W.; No. 2, Waterhouse, Fred; No. 3, Carter, Cushman; No. 4, Copp, Harry.

Blue—No. 1, George C. Potter; No. 2, George H. Angus; No. 3, W. F. Dillingham; No. 4, Charles S. Dole.

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TELLS OF YEAR'S WORK IN HAWAII

Director True's Report on Agricultural Experimental Study in Territory.

The annual report of A. C. True, director of Experiment Stations, has been published and deals to some extent with the Hawaiian Experiment Station, under the supervision of Jared G. Smith. In its reference to Hawaii the report gives a history of the local station and the work which has been done up to the present time.

Reference is made to the importance of taro study, and the statement is made that the price of the native food has increased five hundred per cent because of the blight which affects it. Attention is directed to the high prices of poultry, pigs and dairy products and it is urged that with proper study of conditions Hawaii should not only not import cattle or dairy products, but instead be able to supply the Oriental markets.

The cultivation of coffee is referred to as having cost the Territory \$10,000, but the prediction is ventured that the coffee industry will yet succeed, and will help bring the small farmer to the islands. Mr. Smith in his report to the director advised study of the use of fertilizers and of the drainage question.

Concluding the report says: Investigations in forestry are much to be desired, but these cannot be undertaken by the station without considerable increase in its resources; and in any case, whatever investigations the station might undertake in this direction should be done in co-operation with the Bureau of Forestry. Regarding this subject, Mr. Smith makes the following statements:

Many of the native woods of this group are extremely valuable from a commercial standpoint and a considerable trade in these woods, notably koa and sandal, at one time flourished. I would recommend that the entire backbone of each main mountain chain of each of the islands be set apart in forest reserves under the Federal Government, in order that the native forests may be protected and preserved and that a modern and legal system of forest conservation may be carried out. The sugar plantations all depend directly or indirectly on the wooded mountain slopes for their water supply, and it is due to their owners that something should be done to check the further destruction of the native forests, and also to replant large areas with trees (native and foreign) which shall in the future become commercially valuable.

Considering the variety of subjects for investigation, the annual appropriation for the maintenance of the Hawaiian experiment station should be not less than \$15,000. To properly equip it with buildings, apparatus, implements, live stock, etc., a special appropriation of \$10,000 is very much needed. It was hoped that the Legislature of the Territory would follow the example of the other States and Territories in supplementing the national funds for the maintenance and equipment of the station, but though measures looking to this end were introduced they failed to pass.

The Fred Harrison Corner. Fred Harrison is negotiating for the sale of the lease on his business property, corner of Fort and Beretania streets, opposite the Progress block. It was originally Mr. Harrison's intention to erect a building according to plans to be made after applications for rooms were received. This has been abandoned, and Mr. Harrison will now endeavor to dispose of the lease. The property is one of the most valuable corners in the business section of the city.

The Mass Meeting. The coming Republican mass meeting will be arranged today when a list of speakers will be made up. The object of the meeting is to register public sentiment against the leper bill. Presumably, the Kohala water scheme will also be scored.

CHINESE WILL BE PEACEFUL

Basis is Lacking Only One Point.

OFFICES ALONE BALK SETTLEMENT

Opinion That the Disagreement Will be Closed Before New Year Celebration.

PEACE will spread over the Chinese colony today, like the smile which is now extending over the countenance of the Celestial when he contemplates the recurrence of the greatest feast of his race—New Year's Day. Of course there is a possibility of a failure to connect in the plans, just as there is the constant danger of missing the feast, which hangs over the head of every one of the thousands of Orientals who are making ready for it.

After three days' hard work the commission which has been laboring for peace, last evening arrived within sight of a settlement. The negotiations were first taken up on the basis of a court, with ten members on each side and one non-partisan judge, but this did not last long and finally the work was undertaken by a smaller committee, which went at the difficulties with a will, meeting in the office of Yee Wo Chan Company for long sessions, the one which closed last evening at ten o'clock being the most important one.

When the task of closing up the breach between the two factions was undertaken there were discovered something more than a score of matters which needed adjustment. These included the fixing of the lists of officers, which is the only point on which agreement has not been reached, a new provision for the taking care of the money which remains on hand, and minor matters, which while they affect the inside workings of the society, are without any great significance in general.

Happily the discussion was led along the minor lines, and in these the chorus was only slightly discordant, and very soon reached a chord which was pleasing to all, and brought peaceful results. The most discussion arose over the proposal that the fund of \$10,000, which was remaining after the carrying through of the plague scare, be given into the hands of a committee of fifteen for administration. This committee, which was named in the consultation, comprises many of the very best of the business men of the Chinese quarter, and as there is about an equal division as to affiliation in this fight, there was nothing on which objection could hang.

Concessions were made all along the line by the parties to the discussion, and the desire to have peace was manifested in many ways. Between the sessions of the committees there were several calls paid, these including one upon the consul by a couple of the Bow Wong leaders, and a call by that official upon some of the reformers in the United Society. This had the result of bringing the people closer together, so that there was a very great chance that there should be no failure of the negotiations. When the final session so far was held there was only one point to be settled, as to what was to be done in the way of dividing the offices and the honors between the two sets of officials which are the representatives of the two factions. There are thirty of these officials in each body, so that it is a case of one-half of that number losing all official title and one also losing emolument, for the one paying office, that of assistant secretary, has its two claimants as well.

The reformers had held a meeting yesterday afternoon and reached what might be called an ultimatum, declaring that they would not give way, beyond the granting of a small representation on each of the official boards, and that all the offices should be filled by the men elected by their faction. This was not what had been expected by the men from the consul's side, as they thought there would be given to them a full representation on each board, and they in fact claimed two-thirds of each body when the first elections were held. The wide margin made it impossible that there could be any speedy adjustment, but the consul was active, and under the influence of sound reasoning, that there

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